## RECREATIONAL TARGET SHOOTING PROHIBITED

# CHERRY CREEK- OJAI RANGER DISTRICT LOS PADRES NATIONAL FOREST



### **Recreation Target Shooting Prohibited-Cherry Creek**

In order to comply with the United States District Court's Order dated June 27, 2011, the following act is prohibited within the Cherry Creek Drainage of the Ojai Ranger District:

Discharging a firearm air rifle, or gas gun within the Cherry Creek Drainage. The boundary of the Cherry Creek Drainage begins at the Sespe River, then continues east 0.33 miles on the Sespe River, then continues south along the drainage boundary to the Matilija Creek watershed boundary, then continues west 1.75 miles along the ridgeline, and then continues north along the drainage boundary back to the starting point.

#### **What Prompted This Action**

The action prohibiting recreation target shooting in Cherry Creek followed a 2009 federal court decision that management plans for the Angeles, Cleveland, Los Padres and San Bernardino National Forests failed to ensure that human activities not jeopardize already imperiled plants and animals.

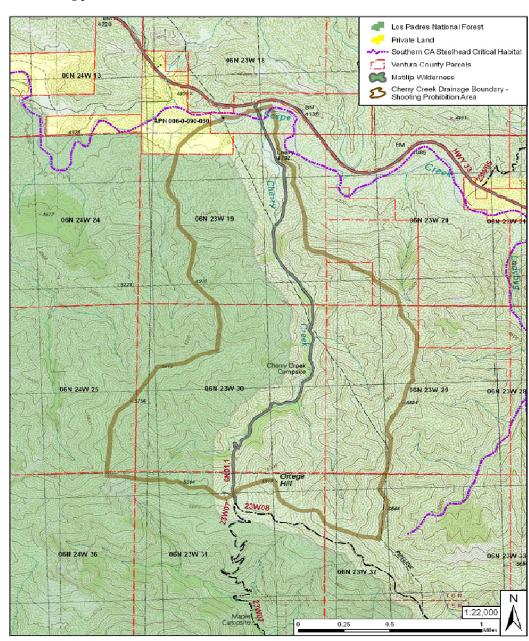
Specifically, the Los Padres National Forest must complete an amended Biological Opinion to determine if human activities are having an adverse impact on the Southern California Steelhead. Steelhead was list as an endangered species in 1997. This order is effective from July 29, 2011, until rescinded by court order.

#### Hunting

The closure does not impact hunting of game mammals or birds in the Cherry Creek area. All hunters must be in compliance with California law and possess a valid hunting license.

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